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**Memorandum on Most-Favored-Nation Status for Vietnam**

*March 9, 1998*

Presidential Determination No. 98-17

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State*

*Subject:* Presidential Determination on Section 402(c)(2)(A) of the Trade Act of 1974—Vietnam

Pursuant to section 402(c)(2)(A) of the Trade Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-618, January 3, 1975; 88 Stat. 1978, 19 U.S.C. 2432(c)(2)(A)) as amended (the "Act"), I determine that a waiver by Executive order of the application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Act with respect to Vietnam will substantially promote the objectives of section 402.

You are authorized and directed to publish this determination in the *Federal Register*.

**William J. Clinton**

NOTE: This memorandum was released by the Office of the Press Secretary on March 11.

**Memorandum on Most-Favored-Nation Status for Vietnam**

*March 9, 1998*

Presidential Determination No. 98-18

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State*

*Subject:* Presidential Determination Under Subsection 2(b)(2)(D) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as Amended—Vietnam

Pursuant to subsection 2(b)(2)(D) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended, I determine that it is in the national interest for the Export-Import Bank of the United States to guarantee, insure, extend credit, and participate in the extension of credit in connection with the purchase or lease of any

product or service by, for use in, or for sale or lease to Vietnam.

You are authorized and directed to report this determination to the Congress and publish it in the *Federal Register*.

**William J. Clinton**

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**Message to the Congress  
Transmitting a Waiver on Most-Favored-Nation Status for Vietnam**

*March 9, 1998*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Pursuant to section 402(c)(2)(A) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "Act"), I have determined that a waiver of the application of subsections 402(a) and (b) with respect to Vietnam will substantially promote the objectives of section 402. A copy of that determination is attached. I also have received assurances with respect to the emigration practices of Vietnam required by section 402(c)(2)(B) of the Act. This message constitutes the report to the Congress required by section 402(c)(2).

Pursuant to subsection 402(c)(2) of the Act, I shall issue an Executive order waiving the application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Act with respect to Vietnam.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,  
March 9, 1998.

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**Remarks Prior to Discussions With  
United Nations Secretary-General  
Kofi Annan and an Exchange With  
Reporters**

*March 11, 1998*

**Secretary-General's Agreement With Iraq**

**President Clinton.** Let me begin by saying that I'm delighted that the Secretary-General is here. We share a strong commitment to curtailing the threat of weapons of